



**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

Issued by the Department of Transportation  
on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003

Essential Air Service at

**QUINCY, ILLINOIS**

under 49 U.S.C. 41731 *et seq.*

**Served: May 8, 2003**

**Docket OST-2003-14492**

**ORDER EXTENDING SERVICE OBLIGATION**

**Summary**

By this order, the Department of Transportation extends the service obligation of Corporate Airlines, Inc., d/b/a American Connection (Corporate), at Quincy, Illinois, for an additional 30 days, through [June 13, 2003](#).

**Background**

On January 15, 2003, Corporate filed a 90-day notice of its intent to suspend its unsubsidized service at Quincy effective April 15, 2003. By Order 2003-2-26, February 28, 2003, the Department prohibited Corporate from suspending service beyond the end of its 90-day notice period, through May 14, 2003, and requested proposals, with subsidy if necessary, from carriers interested in providing replacement service.

Although we have received proposals, this case will not be completed before the end of the current 30-day hold-in period. Thus, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 41734(c), we will extend Corporate's service obligation at Quincy for an additional 30 days, or until replacement service actually begins, whichever occurs first.

This order is issued under authority assigned in 14 CFR 385.12(k)(5).

**ACCORDINGLY,**

1. We require Corporate Airlines, Inc., d/b/a American Connection, to maintain essential air service at Quincy, Illinois, as specified in Appendix C of Order 2003-2-26, for an additional 30-day period through [June 13, 2003](#), or until a carrier capable of providing reliable replacement service actually begins service, whichever occurs first;<sup>1</sup>
2. We direct Corporate to retain all books, records, and other source and summary documentation to support subsidy claims for payment, and to preserve and maintain such

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 41734(c), we will extend Corporate's service obligation for successive 30-day periods, as necessary, until replacement service actually begins.

documentation in a manner that readily permits its audit and examination by representatives of the Department. Such documentation shall be retained for seven years or until the Department indicates that the records may be destroyed. Copies of flight logs for aircraft sold or disposed of must be retained. The carrier may forfeit its compensation for any claim that is not supported under the terms of this order;

3. Docket OST-2003-14492, will remain open until further order of the Department; and

4. We will serve a copy of this order on the Mayor and Airport Manager of Quincy, the Illinois DOT, and Corporate Airlines, Inc.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of this order under the Department's Regulations, 14 CFR 385.50, must file such petitions within ten (10) days after the date of service of this order.

This order will be effective immediately, and the filing of a petition for review shall not preclude its effectiveness.

By:

**RANDALL D. BENNETT**

Director

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